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MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation-in-part application of Appl. No. 10/157,872 filed on May 31, 2002. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): Keiji OKADA, Shigenobu IKENAGA, Ryousuke KANESHIGE, Tomoaki MATSUGI, Shinichi KOJOH and Terunori FUJITA

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Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of fifty-five (55) pages
- ☒ one (1) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority

- ☐ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s) _____ filed in _____ on _____.
☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- ☒ Priority of Application No(s). 2001-165448 filed in Japan on May 31, 2001 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on May 31, 2002.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____, has been submitted in parent Application No. _____ in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- ☐ Other: _____

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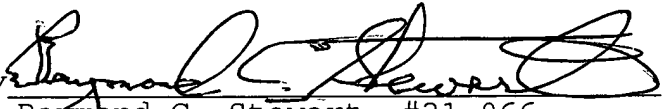
- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed Declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.


- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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